2004-2006 Conger-Gabel Teaching Professors Named

A committee comprised of the current Conger-Gabel Teaching Professors in the KU English Department has selected Professors Kathryn Conrad, Jim Hartman, and Tom Lorenz to succeed them during the period 2004-2006. Because of lower interest rates due to the weakened economy, only three professors could be named for this next cycle. Professors Giselle Anatol, David Bergeron, Amy Devitt, and Paul Lim were appointed the inaugural Conger-Gabel Teaching Professors in 2001. The professorships take their name from donors Wren Gabel and Esther Conger Gabel of Rochester, NY. Esther Conger Gabel received her B.A. in English from KU in 1931.

Publications
Haas, Tasha

Presentations
Conrad, Kathryn
“Queering Community: The Heterosexism of Mainstream Northern Irish Political Discourse,” invited workshop series, “Troubling the Troubles: Re-reading Northern Ireland,” Institute of Governance, Queen’s University, Belfast, 2-3 April.

Yacher, Nancy
“Metaphor and Myth as Icon: Explorations in English Lit at a Secular University,” 7th C. S. Lewis and the Inklings Conference, 1-2 April, Letourneau University. (Nancy also chaired a session and was elected to the executive board of the society.)

Announcements, Notes, & News
• The printed copy of the April MLA Job Information List has arrived and been placed in its usual location on top of the filing cabinet to the right as you enter 3116 Wescoe.

• The James Tiptree, Jr. Literary Award Council announced the winner of and “short list” for the Tiptree Prize this week. The prize is awarded annually to a work of science fiction or fantasy that expands and explores the concept of gender. Fudoki, by Kij Johnson, appears on the short list.

• Some of you may have taught KU English senior Cody Marrs in your classes. Cody was awarded a national Mellon fellowship this week. He has not yet decided where he will attend graduate school.

• Peter Gopelrud (B.A. 1971) has been named the new dean at Florida Coastal School of Law. He has been dean of the Drake University Law School in Des Moines, IA since 1998.

• Kevin Helliker (B.A. 1982) was awarded a Pulitzer Prize for explanatory reporting this week. Along with co-writer Thomas M. Burton, Helliker won the prize for a series of articles on aneurysms, published in The Wall Street Journal.

• Alumna Caryn Mirriam-Goldberg will be among the readers at a 9 April reading, part of the 2004 Lawrence Poetry Series, 7:00 pm, Lawrence Arts Center.

• Careers for English Majors: A panel of English alumni will discuss the advantages of an English major in the job market, 7:00 pm, Room 200, KU Edwards Campus.

KU and Regional Events
• The Stephen Sondheim musical, A Little Night Music, will be performed by University Theatre, 16-17, 22-24 April, 7:30 pm, 18 April, 2:30 pm, Crafton-Preyer Theatre, Murphy Hall.

Calendar
F 9 EAT presents “Miss Julie,” by August Strindberg, 8:00 pm, Lawrence Arts Center, 940 New Hampshire. Also 8:00 pm, 10 April, 2:30 pm, 10-11 April

M 12 Advisory Committee Meeting, 3:30 pm, 3132 Wescoe.
Agenda: 1) teaching evaluations 2) paper feedback policy 3) DNB 4) hiring subcommittee report 5) spouse/partner voting policy

R 15 CTE Award Event, “Feminist Teaching: A Conversation,” Joy Ritchie, English, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, 2:00-3:00 pm, 3132 Wescoe. Faculty and students welcome.

British Seminar, “Shakespeare’s Stamp,” Joseph Loewenstein, English, Washington University, 3:30 pm, Spencer Research Library. A reception will follow.

The next Voting Department Meeting will be held on 20 April, 4:00 pm, 4076 Wescoe. Agenda: TBA
• **Early Modern Seminar**, “Giambattisa Vico and Literature,” Antonio Melchor, Comparative Cultures, Eckerd College, 12 April, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Conference Room.

• **Poetics Seminar**, “Living with Dying: Latin American Poetry and AIDS,” Jill Kuhnheim, Spanish & Portuguese, 14 April, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Conference Room.

• **Ahmanson-Murphy Distinguished Professor Lecture**, “Medieval Physiognomy and Ethnic Identity,” Stephen Epstein, History, 12 April, 5:30 pm, Alderson Auditorium.

• **Humanities Lecture Series**, “The Future of Life,” E. O. Wilson, Pulitzer Prize-winning author, environmentalist, biologist, entomologist, 15 April, 7:00 pm, Lied Center. Wilson will also speak at 10:00 am in the Summerfield Room of the Adams Alumni Center.

• **Collecting & Collections: Interdisciplinary Perspectives**, “Objective: Art and Preservation,” Tracy Hicks, Southern Methodist University, 13 April, 3:30-5:00 pm, Panorama Room, Natural History Museum.

• **War, Peace and Diplomacy Seminar**, “A New Typology of Political Violence: Transcending the Westphalian-Clausewitzian Framework,” Philip A. Schrodt, Political Science, 16 April, 4:00-5:30 pm, Hall Center Conference Room.

• **Nature & Culture Seminar**, “Midwest Horse Sense: Toward an Environmental History of the Heartland,” 16 April, 3:30-5:00 pm, Regionalist Room, Kansas Union.

**Fellowships, Contests, Scholarships, Awards, Etc. (Posted)**

• Nominations are being accepted for KU’s **J. Michael Young Academic Advisory Awards**. Nominations are available on both the graduate and undergraduate bulletin boards. Deadline: 12 April.

• An updated list of deadlines for various funding opportunities has been posted on the **HGDO Grant Alerts** bulletin board.